

Old Picture of  
Heber Cemetery



*Cemeteries*

**Memorial Day  
Flowers Must Be  
Removed June 3**

*1992*

All floral arrangements and other decorations put on graves at the Heber City Cemetery on Memorial Day must be removed by Monday, June 3 so that the lawn can be mowed and otherwise maintained.

## Baa meets boo as sheep graze graves

"The quality of their job depends on how hungry they are," says Jean Beck, right, as her sheep graze in Lakeview Cemetery in Orwell, Vt. The ovine groundskeepers have been munching away for nearly a month and are happy to do it, according to Beck. Some Orwell residents are not pleased with the groundskeeping sheep, but Beck says it's a cheap and efficient way to maintain the cemetery.

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# Study links children's problems to events before and after divorce

WASHINGTON (AP) — Half the behavioral and academic problems of boys whose parents are divorced can be traced to circumstances that existed before the marriage broke up, a private study says.

Similar effects can be seen for girls, but not to the degree that it is evident in boys, a team of U.S. and British researchers wrote in today's edition of the journal *Science*.

Andrew Cherlin, one of the researchers involved in the study, said one reason for differing results for girls and boys may be that the data on girls are not reliable.

When boys have problems, they're easier to spot, he said in a telephone interview Thursday from Chicago.

"When girls are upset, they tend to internalize it," Cherlin said. "Maybe the girls are as upset as the boys are, but our measures didn't pick that up."

There may also be a couple of other reasons, he said.

"One possibility is that parents shield girls from conflict more than they shield boys," Cherlin said.

"Secondly, it may be that girls are more resilient to stress than boys."

The study said that while children of divorced parents have more emotional and scholastic problems than other children, many can be attributed to growing up in a family that is falling apart.

"About half of what appear to be the effects of divorce appear before the parents separated," Cherlin said.

"Nearly all empirical studies have focused exclusively on ... the period after the separation and have collected information after the separation occurred," the study said.

Census Bureau statistics for 1988, the most recent year available, estimate 1,044,000 children had parents who divorced that year. That's a slight increase over 1987, but overall is part of a decline, due in part to decreases in the divorce rate and the number of children in married-couple families since 1981, the Census Bureau said.

The new study relies on two surveys, one in England tracking some 15,000 children in the 1950s and 1960s and another following

the progress of nearly 2,300 children in the United States in the late 1970s.

Both surveys were conducted to examine the general well being of children. While they did not focus on divorce, their questions made it possible to examine some of the effects over time.

The surveys charted scholastic, behavioral and emotional problems of children aged 7 to 11, both before and after the parents in some of the families separated or divorced.

When problems attributable to conditions before the divorce are discounted, the effects of the emotional and financial aftermath of divorce are not as great as had been figured before, the study said.

"For boys, the apparent effect of divorce on behavior problems and school achievement falls by about half to levels that are not significantly different from zero, once preexisting behavior problems, achievement test scores and family difficulties evident before the separation are taken into account," the study said.



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## Just doing their job

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